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## SB 1572 SD 2 HD 1 RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Statement for  
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SB 1572 SD 2 HD 1 proposes the creation of an industry recycling commission to study and evaluate alternative recycling methods and policies in order to formulate an industry action plan viable for Hawaii.

Our statement on this bill does not represent an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

We strongly support the intent of SB 1572 SD 2 HD 1 to promote recycling and waste management control, and to create a commission to evaluate and recommend alternative waste management practices.

We continue to urge that the bill be amended to direct the commission to evaluate recycling legislation and programs implemented in other states so as to assess their applicability to Hawaii. We believe that such a directive should be included in the bill to assure that Hawaii will benefit from the experience of other state systems and avoid incurring unnecessary costs. With this in mind, we suggest that page 3, lines 9-10 be amended to read "...the commission shall review and consider existing data from recent studies, including that from other states, with respect to solid waste, litter, landfills...."

Again, we would like to stress our strong support for the intent of this bill and would commend the Chairman and this committee for addressing this urgent issue.